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COVERAGE

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at $2 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Code Classification of United States Customs Districts and Ports, January 1, 1967 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. Further information and a list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics shown for exports to Canada represent fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $100-$1,999 based on a 10-percent sample of such shipments. The statistics shown for exports to countries other than Canada represent fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $100-$499 based on a 50-percent sample of such shipments. Effective with the statistics for January 1967, estimated shipping weight and value data are also shown for shipments valued under $100. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The following is a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability (on a 2 chances out of 3 basis) of value totals. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Detailed information on the sampling variability of individual figures is available upon request.

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Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:				
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%	20% and over
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.85	1.00		
$500,000-$1,000,000	.45	.65	.70	1.00	
$100,000-$500,000		.15	.40	.45	.55
$20,000-$100,000				.25	.75
Cells of under $20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from $10,000 to $20,000				
Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:				
$300,000 and over	Less than 2%				
$100,000-$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%				
$20,000-$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%				
Under $20,000	Generally $1,000 to $2,000				
Cells of $0	Generally less than $500				

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued $251 and over. Data for shipments valued under $251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under $251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under $251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of $500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under $500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than $50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under $100 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers...	657,475	(X)	183,814	77,918	303,167	61,248	13,064	14,621	3,841,540	(X)	594,398	283,497	2,203,527	555,301	77,241	74,723
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	254,080	89,792	27,858	101,580	25,300	3,658	3,882	(X)	1,406,997	295,723	98,520	709,068	228,859	17,778	20,588
Boston, Mass.....	12,499	7,090	2,072	(Z)	10,021	228	100	77	91,119	58,345	11,164	2	76,019	2,085	1,450	400
Buffalo, N.Y.....	2,515	2,390	2,473	14	2	-	-	26	14,900	14,689	14,721	51	70	-	-	58
New York City, N.Y.....	332,725	113,272	41,074	18,991	232,594	27,645	2,554	9,868	2,336,027	728,926	176,180	106,668	1,731,921	249,411	16,358	55,489
Philadelphia, Pa.....	5,213	3,011	1,083	12	2,992	924	45	155	29,521	18,082	3,364	47	19,444	5,845	62	759
Baltimore, Md.....	3,079	2,478	177	376	2,421	56	7	42	12,836	7,690	571	3,235	8,239	533	63	195
Savannah, Ga.....	896	845	478	75	287	46	-	9	4,620	3,642	2,036	805	1,454	306	-	19
Tampa, Fla.....	899	169	847	44	7	-	-	-	1,973	260	1,566	390	17	-	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	5,817	1,074	5,159	568	45	30	5	10	15,627	4,398	12,151	2,827	453	89	35	71
Laredo, Tex.....	2,353	1,784	2,186	67	3	97	-	(Z)	6,694	4,861	6,251	275	15	150	-	3
Los Angeles, Calif.....	26,531	12,987	6,114	680	10,286	5,240	3,965	247	283,460	104,799	54,104	6,163	119,397	77,904	24,018	1,873
San Francisco, Calif....	23,752	8,946	963	329	4,626	14,006	3,732	96	222,662	68,709	7,310	3,231	49,664	134,084	27,655	718
Portland, Oreg.....	661	653	93	-	366	202	-	(Z)	8,083	8,032	371	-	7,525	178	-	9
Seattle, Wash.....	6,517	4,672	2,166	184	1,442	2,558	53	115	56,649	34,330	12,366	1,969	14,829	25,598	416	1,472
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	1,186	520	182	-	22	499	483	1	7,182	1,408	422	-	313	4,791	1,652	4
Great Falls, Mont.....	659	649	655	-	4	-	-	-	5,610	5,429	5,595	-	15	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	205	198	197	-	8	(Z)	-	-	788	757	717	-	69	1	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	2,139	2,039	1,763	-	2	374	-	-	11,306	10,798	7,015	-	231	4,060	-	-
Duluth, Minn.....	180	157	173	-	7	(Z)	-	(Z)	872	691	780	-	83	8	-	1
Detroit, Mich.....	7,367	5,744	3,435	33	3,551	202	77	68	26,911	21,847	9,976	25	15,271	994	302	344
Chicago, Ill.....	34,087	13,936	14,748	8	16,179	2,424	130	599	201,062	96,444	79,211	95	95,136	23,046	486	3,088
Cleveland, Ohio.....	4,769	345	4,474	(Z)	254	41	(Z)	(Z)	17,762	1,282	16,741	1	662	357	(Z)	1
St. Louis, Mo.....	1,009	893	87	(Z)	292	543	86	1	14,178	11,759	902	2	3,396	9,736	135	6
San Juan, P.R.....	6,179	4,799	5,758	370	38	11	1	(Z)	10,010	8,410	6,737	2,961	131	178	1	2
Miami, Fla.....	114,573	53,135	62,543	51,522	327	63	7	113	263,794	111,388	119,464	140,160	2,781	821	11	558
Houston, Tex.....	10,121	6,478	4,306	988	2,086	1,075	67	1,600	48,992	29,829	12,620	4,122	20,111	4,354	1,935	5,849
All other districts.....	5,187	3,805	3,112	448	1,168	351	4	104	24,536	13,726	5,321	4,445	12,009	2,386	25	349
Shipments under $100....	42,715	(NA)	17,496	3,208	14,138	4,633	1,749	1,491	71,511	(NA)	26,744	6,024	24,266	8,386	2,636	3,455
Special Category.....	3,647	2,009	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	52,856	36,461	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

- Represents zero
D Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for security reasons
NA Not available
X Not applicable
Z Less than 500 pounds or $500

Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers...	430,600	(X)	70,540	21,294	253,878	80,180	2,321	1,836	2,548,425	(X)	243,146	70,973	1,683,714	491,095	17,121	41,706
U.S. flag carriers....	(X)	198,783	34,992	9,094	101,857	51,562	761	517	(X)	1,171,487	118,694	33,589	674,987	327,369	7,250	9,598
Boston, Mass.....	9,224	5,893	387	(Z)	8,689	136	1	11	46,066	29,550	6,168	2	38,286	1,515	5	90
Buffalo, N. Y.....	1,690	1,476	1,514	(Z)	143	33	-	(Z)	18,303	15,378	16,769	(Z)	583	220	-	732
New York City, N.Y.....	217,169	99,187	6,617	6,107	184,284	18,620	411	1,129	1,703,769	684,937	52,045	45,725	1,410,607	151,599	4,869	38,924
Philadelphia, Pa.....	1,998	1,316	66	(Z)	1,819	109	(Z)	3	13,807	10,661	1,696	2	11,238	848	1	21
Baltimore, Md.....	1,807	1,639	48	2	1,696	48	12	1	12,398	11,545	608	27	11,422	306	29	6
Savannah, Ga.....	102	36	25	-	76	1	-	-	1,091	475	847	-	240	4	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	342	255	306	27	8	1	-	-	1,561	398	1,486	16	53	6	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	3,895	2,375	3,734	80	44	32	2	3	3,117	1,576	2,062	712	157	166	12	8
Laredo, Tex.....	2,425	2,288	2,380	3	40	2	-	-	2,525	1,933	2,424	4	72	25	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	18,256	11,988	1,187	172	3,919	12,441	520	17	157,661	77,175	26,562	1,471	37,018	84,953	7,255	401
San Francisco, Calif....	32,695	24,944	380	27	2,705	29,089	436	59	201,528	138,238	3,850	199	22,638	171,190	3,449	204
Portland, Oreg.....	461	441	14	-	423	23	1	(Z)	2,099	1,997	76	-	1,907	109	7	1
Seattle, Wash.....	3,909	3,532	754	(Z)	480	2,674	(Z)	1	35,492	32,670	7,780	5	3,061	24,614	14	17
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	730	218	130	(Z)	35	427	137	(Z)	4,198	1,846	332	14	381	2,993	477	2
Great Falls, Mont.....	94	89	93	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	1,464	1,426	1,457	-	6	2	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	215	79	208	-	4	2	-	-	825	693	791	-	13	21	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	260	251	38	(Z)	8	214	-	-	2,446	2,310	576	3	91	1,776	-	-
Duluth, Minn.....	27	22	27	-	-	-	-	-	4,213	3,503	4,213	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	4,934	4,270	1,201	(Z)	3,518	201	(Z)	14	17,221	14,708	5,341	32	11,407	388	(Z)	54
Chicago, Ill.....	16,748	9,838	2,890	31	9,517	4,139	6	165	146,528	82,801	44,119	59	68,776	32,875	38	663
Cleveland, Ohio.....	1,201	492	486	(Z)	490	225	(Z)	(Z)	6,745	2,384	3,450	1	2,130	1,163	(Z)	1
St. Louis, Mo.....	244	74	97	-	145	2	(Z)	-	2,194	849	651	-	1,527	15	2	-
San Juan, P.R.....	12,537	3,811	10,788	1,007	680	17	43	2	8,611	3,443	4,589	938	2,969	85	18	12
Miami, Fla.....	40,571	21,730	26,428	12,712	813	514	6	97	64,646	33,788	37,435	19,577	6,341	1,239	5	49
Houston, Tex.....	1,287	1,076	990	90	156	48	(Z)	4	4,470	2,814	1,987	730	1,154	541	1	56
All other districts.....	2,018	1,463	584	13	1,215	197	6	3	17,457	14,389	4,657	210	11,445	1,043	35	67
Shipments under $251....	55,761	(NA)	9,168	1,023	32,968	10,986	740	327	67,989	(NA)	11,177	1,246	40,196	13,398	903	399

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